

## PIKEVILLE

Mrs. Nora Thornbury, wife of J. K. Thornbury, deceased, has just received a check for insurance through their agent, Miss Ernestine Davis, for \$3000. Mr. Thornbury had been carrying this insurance for less than a year.

The ladies of the Home Mission Society of the M. E. Church South had an all day sewing party in the church parlors Thursday. At noon a bountiful lunch was enjoyed.

Miss Minnie Stout was in Cincinnati last week to hear Billy Sunday and while there purchased goods for the new novelty store that is going up on Pike avenue.

Dr. and Mrs. Oscar Thompson who have been visiting relatives here for some time, left Saturday for New York to stay until April 10 when they will go to Panama.

Mrs. Stoner Amick and children and sister, Miss Dollie McCoy, have returned from Avon Park, Florida, where they spent the winter.

Mrs. Bonnie Maxwell and daughter, Elaine, and Miss Bonnie Olinger, of Cincinnati, who have been the guests of Miss Emma Taggart for some weeks, will return to their home Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cockill went to Ashland to meet their daughter, Miss Elizabeth, who came from Hamilton College to spend Easter.

Mrs. Tina B. Miller has returned from Washington where she has been visiting Mrs. John W. Langley. En route she stopped in Ashland for a few days with her sister, Mrs. Ed Holley.—Pike County News.

## PRESTONSBURG

## Davidson-Sowards.

Tuesday morning, March 22, at seven o'clock, Miss Ruth Davidson, the cultured and only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Davidson of Court street, became the lovely bride of Mr. E. H. Sowards, a young business man of Pikeville, Ky. Miss Davidson was one of Prestonsburg's beautiful and justly popular girls. She was a full graduate of Prestonsburg Baptist Institute had later taken a commercial course and was before her marriage in charge of the Prestonsburg Electric Light Company's office. She was not only cultured and pretty but was also most industrious. She will be greatly missed in both social and church circles. Mr. Sowards is junior member of the Sowards Insurance Agency of Pikeville, a fire insurance agency that has become influential largely through his efforts and their reputation for fair dealing.

Rev. E. N. Hart was summoned and quite a few relatives and friends assembled at this early hour to witness the nuptials and wish them much joy. They left amid a shower of rice for a honeymoon in California and the far west.

## Miscellaneous Shower.

Miss Ella Noel White gave a miscellaneous shower party at her lovely home on South Third street last Saturday afternoon in honor of Miss Ruth Davidson. The house was decorated beautifully, the color scheme being pink and white. A two course luncheon was served, a salad course and ice cream and cake. Many useful and valuable presents were given and all had a most enjoyable time. About thirty-five were present.

## Child Dies.

On Wednesday night, March 16th, Vernon B. Hopson, a little five and a half year son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hopson of Riverside passed away. He had been afflicted with some kind of skin eruption which was followed by Bright's disease.

## Good Citizen Dies.

The death angel called Mr. J. W. Hopson, of Auxier, on last Friday. He was one of the oldest and most highly esteemed citizens. Mrs. L. P. Kirk of Cedar Grove, W. Va., and others of his children attended the funeral services conducted at the grave by Rev. Leonard. He leaves a widow and one son and seven daughters.—Post.

## PAINTSVILLE

## Home From Florida.

Attorney M. C. Kirk returned Monday from Florida where he has been for the past few weeks the guest of his family who are spending some time there on their fruit farm. Mrs. M. C. Kirk, Mrs. Russell and Mrs. Holmes Kirk will return next month to spend the summer in Paintsville. Miss Virginia Pannin returned with Mr. Kirk.

## Local Operator Ill.

Luther McCloud, local Western Union operator has been confined to his home for the past few weeks with pneumonia, but is some improved. Mr. McCloud is a popular young man with many friends who are anxious for his recovery. His place is being filled by C. G. Hammer, a relief man from Tennessee.

## Mrs. Chas. Florey Better.

The many friends of Mrs. Chas. Florey who underwent a serious operation in a Los Angeles, California, hospital, will be pleased to know that she is much improved and has been moved from the hospital to her home. As soon as she recovers sufficiently to be moved she will be moved to the home of her brother, Sanford Brown, in Huntington, W. Va.

## New Business House.

C. T. Rule has let the contract to build a new business house on Main street just above the Big Sandy Hardware store. It is to be a two-story brick building with two large store rooms on the first floor and office rooms on the second. From the plans and specifications already completed this will be the largest and most attractive business house in the valley. Mr. Rule believes in doing things right and this new building will be a valuable addition to Paintsville.

## Mrs. Haggard Dead.

Mrs. Margaret Haggard died in Winchester Saturday after a short illness. She formerly lived in Paintsville where

she had many friends. She was the mother of Mrs. George Clark who died here a number of years ago. Mr. Clark attended the funeral and burial.

## Faculty Re-elected.

The Paintsville School Board met Tuesday evening and employed the present faculty for the next year. The school has had a wonderful year and the faculty deserves much credit for the excellent school.

## Local and Personal.

Mrs. Nannie Pison and little son returned home last week from Ashland where they have been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Hall returned Saturday from Milwaukee, where Mr. Hall had been attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Phillips and children of Van Lear, spent the week end here the guests of Mrs. Phillips' mother, Mrs. Edna J. Kirk.

Mrs. Dan Wheeler has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Harry C. Howes at Estill for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Will A. Ward returned Sunday from Ashland where they had been on account of the death of Dr. S. P. Fetter.

Dr. and Mrs. Tobe Vaughan and children of Jenkins, spent the week end with Dr. Vaughan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Vaughan.

Mrs. Mary Daniel of Whitehouse, spent Saturday here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Thompson.

Miss Leona Johnson was the guest of friends here Saturday. She has recently returned to her home near Paintsville from Lookout, where she has been with the Edgewater Coal Co. for some time.

Miss Hattie Buskirk was the guest for parents in Martin county last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Atkinson spent the week end in Ashland having been called by the death of Dr. S. P. Fetter. Will Atkinson of Lexington is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Atkinson, this week.—Herald.

## WAYNE ITEMS

Fisher Scaggs was in Kenova on business Friday.

Boyd Wellman was in Kenova on business the last of the week.

Misses Elizabeth Odell and Haney Neece, of Huntington spent Sunday here.

E. O. Curnutte of Ceredo was a business visitor here Monday.

S. P. Hager of Huntington had business at the court house last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Taylor of Ferguson visited Mrs. Nan Taylor last week.

Mrs. Mary Bailey has returned from a visit with relatives in Huntington.

T. J. Stringer of Huntington was a Wayne visitor Saturday.

Miss Kitten Adkins is visiting relatives in Kenova.

G. D. Miller of Huntington was here on business Saturday.

Clyde Scaggs of Logan spent Sunday with home folks.

Russell Rucker has purchased the property on Keyser street formerly owned by Mrs. Louise Adkins. Mrs. Adkins has moved to Kenova.

Attorney John S. Shepherd was here from Huntington Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Wiles and daughter Gertrude were dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. B. R. Burgess Monday.

Miss Elizabeth Fraxler of Fort Bay is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Peters.

The Easter exercises held at the Baptist Church Sunday evening under the direction of Mrs. Fisher Scaggs were largely attended. A beautiful cantata, "The Resurrection" was rendered. This was composed of forty young folks who performed their parts exceedingly well. GRIMES.

## BREAKS JAIL, IS SHOT;

GETS SIX MORE YEARS ADDED TO HIS TERM

Frankfort, Ky.—Basil Cook, Floyd county convict, might have been at liberty a year ago with no price upon his head had he not fled a road camp in Owen county, but Wednesday he was brought to the reformatory on crutches, suffering from four gunshot wounds inflicted by Virginia authorities in arresting him and facing an additional term of six years. Two years ago he made his escape. Then he was arrested in Buchanan county, Virginia, where he also was wanted for housebreaking. He broke jail before the Kentucky requisition arrived. He had been arrested twice previously in Buchanan county and broken jail each time, but was finally captured and sentenced in Prestonsburg to serve two years for burglary.

## PLENTY OF LAND.

The United States has only some 4000,000,000 of its 935,000,000 acres of arable land under cultivation, yet among other things it raises one-sixth of the world's corn supply. We could raise enough corn to meet the needs of Europe on the land that is now unused.

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## CATLETTSBURG

## Normal Training School

For Boyd County.

A normal training school for the teachers of Boyd county will very likely be established in Ashland or Catlettsburg during the present summer. This school will be under the supervision of the Eastern Kentucky State Normal School. It is not always possible for all of the teachers who are engaged in the public schools to attend summer school. The expense of going away to school frequently is so great that many teachers can afford to spend for this training. Through the State Department of Education and the Normal schools these schools are being organized to bring to the very doors of Kentucky teachers the finest educational opportunities that they have ever enjoyed. Catlettsburg and Boyd county are very much interested in this proposition. They will be joined by a number of teachers from Greenup, Carter and other counties. It is predicted that from 200 to 250 teachers will be assembled for serious professional study from June 6th to July 5th.

## Visiting in Oregon.

Mrs. Winn Adams left for Portland, Oregon, for an extended visit to Mrs. Mathew James Dee, formerly of this city and to California to visit relatives. Her little niece Bettie Graham will remain with her grandmother, Mrs. Williamson, until Mrs. Adams returns. Mrs. Adams goes direct to Portland from here.

## Killed By Brother.

Allen Johnson died Sunday in Ashland as the result of a pistol wound inflicted ten days before by his brother Amos Johnson. The shooting was accidental.

## Mrs. Miranda Dies.

Mrs. Carla L. Miranda passed away at the Kings Daughters hospital Sunday after a short illness. She is survived by her children, the husband having preceded her death some years ago. One step-daughter, Miss Louise Brickley, and niece, Mrs. Jas. Turner and Hardy Artip also belong to the immediate family. Mrs. Miranda was a life long Christian woman having been converted when a small child, placing her membership in the M. E. Church, and was an active worker in church circles where she will be sadly missed.

## Another Still Brought In.

A sheriff's posse brought in another still, which was captured on East Fork. Floyd Johnson the man suspected of operating it, made his getaway and has not been captured.

## Returned from Business Trip.

Sheriff S. J. DeBord has returned from a visit to Johnson and Lawrence counties, where he has been looking after his extensive oil interests. He was accompanied on the trip by Martin Rothan, A. H. Puthoff and Cecil McDyer.

## One Thousandth Wedding.

Rev. A. P. Keyser, brilliant and gifted pastor of the First M. E. Church South, consummated his one thousandth wedding here at the church last Friday night. He has been pastor of this church about four and one-half years and he only has had about one-fifth ratio of the wedding ceremonies performed here in that time, as there have been several other ministers who shared equally, but his proportion of one thousand shows something of the strength of this city as a gretna green. This does not mean that Rev. Mr. Keyser has only married one thousand couples, but it means one thousand in Catlettsburg. The one thousandth couple was married in presence of the fine choir of South Methodist Church, which was practicing for the Easter service. The couple was Mr. Morris Wendell Agee, 21, merchant and Miss Ida Mae Chaffin, 21, both of Logan, W. Va. They were accompanied by another couple, who were special friends and they were a very handsome bride and groom. Rev. Mr. Keyser is very proud of his achievement in having married one thousand couples in Catlettsburg.

Judge J. F. Bailey and Dr. Bayes of Paintsville, and Dr. Frank Ramey of Auxier were here Wednesday.

## COMMISSIONER WANTS OVERDRAFTS CURBED

Frankfort, Ky.—Measures to eliminate the practice of permitting overdrafts will be recommended to the next General Assembly by the State Banking Department, Commissioner Lewis says in a circular sent State bankers, unless the evil is materially curbed. The circular says:

"The practice is a serious imposition on the bank and is a source of embarrassment to its officers. When a customer draws a check on a bank in which he knows he has no funds he gets the use of the money for nothing. He might as well milk his neighbor's cow without the owner's consent.

"We want to urge you to eliminate drafts. You can do it by requiring your customers to make prearrangements by executing to the bank notes for their needs."

## NEW COAL COMPANY.

Offices will be opened in Huntington soon by the Wayne Collieries Company a firm recently organized with a capital stock of \$50,000 to own and operate coal mines. The incorporators are: L. L. Dial, D. C. Webb, Dr. O. T. Hines, Sterling Cole, all of Huntington, and J. C. Ferguson, of Ferguson, W. Va. The company owns a lease of 502 acres at Ferguson on the Norfolk & Western railroad.

## SCHOOL BAN IS PUT ON

TEACHERS WHO DANCE

Morgantown, W. Va.—R. C. Smith, superintendent of the Morgantown public schools announced that teachers who attend dances during the school year will not be reemployed next year. This rule, Mr. Smith said, was adopted by the Board of Education, which decided that teachers who attend dances were inclined to neglect their school work.

## Pike County Woman Held on Poisoning Charge

Pikeville, Ky.—Mrs. Wilda Mullin, held in the county jail on the charge of poisoning her two children, will plead insanity according to local officials.

Officials say there's a love motive behind the alleged crime; that Mrs. Mullin, a widow, with four children, sought to free herself to marry a widower, who also had children.

Mrs. Mullin not only denies the poisoning, but the love theory.

The woman, who lived at Myra, a little mountain town, was left a widow last fall.

Recently her eldest daughter married. Then it is alleged the question of her re-marriage came up, but the prospective groom is said to have contended that their children would not get along together.

Officials charge Mrs. Mullin went to Jenkins, a nearby town, and purchased some quinine capsules and some poison.

At dinner, her son-in-law complained that something was wrong with the bread; that he felt ill after taking a few bites.

The rest of the meal was dumped out to a hog which it is said died shortly after eating it.

Soon after this a three year old child became ill and a doctor was called. One hour after the physician's departure the baby died, although apparently relieved when the physician left.

A few days later the mother is said to have requested that the 15 year old daughter, who had been staying with a neighbor to come home. It is alleged the mother gave the girl one of the capsules which she had secured at Jenkins, claiming it would help her cold.

A physician was called, but before he arrived the girl was dead.

Mrs. Mullin was arrested. When the remaining capsules were examined officers charge, each was found to contain a portion of poison.—Ashland Independent.

Mrs. Mullins has been ordered to the Western State hospital at Hopkinsville, where patients with homicidal mania are confined.

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## CHIC REDINGOTE DRESS



The redingote and the sash—both features in the spring styles, find themselves in favor with the dignified and graceful frock for afternoon, which is shown above. It has an accordion-plaited underslip of satin and an overdress in redingote style, which may be either satin or wool.

## FORECASTING SPRING



This lovely frock of gray crepe-de-chine may be taken as a criterion of the spring styles for afternoon wear.

It fulfills all the requirements of the mode, beginning with the most important, and that is simplicity. It has a slip-over bodice, fastening on the shoulder, a long tunic laid in plaits and a plain underskirt. Between the high and the low waistline it chooses the latter and makes a compromise between long and short sleeves with the three-quarter length, flaring style. Spring is written in all its details but emphasized in the eyelet embroidery and silk disks that make up its decorations. The odd opening at the front, which distinguishes this dress, revealing a little button-trimmed vestee of lace, is a feature of the new styles. Often it glimpses a bright color.

## Just Jim

By FLORA M. DUNN

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Nobody's boy, ten, ragged, "thin as a whippet," but with an attractive look on his clean, freckled face that challenged a second glance, stood before the entrance to the "Greatest Show on Earth." His intent gaze was glued to the vast cloud of canvas that shut him out of the enchanted ground, the glory of glories. Like Peri before the gate of Heaven, his whole soul's desire spoke from his earnest brown eyes.

## "Want to go in, son?"

The question, which needed no reply, came from a big, kindly, jolly faced man whose hand was grippingly held by a little five-year-old chap who was making his first visit to a circus.

"All right," he nodded to the lad, whose sparkling eyes made other reply unnecessary. "Come along with us." The magic words were the same that opened the path to untold wonders, beside which the Arabian Nights are tame as Mother Goose rhymes.

Then began the journey through Zooland, the little kid, and the middling sized kid lugging close to the big kid who had, with the flip of a greenback, become a giant fairy to two adoring, happy boys.

Such fierce looking animals with long, queer names, that no little boy could be expected to know printed on their gorgeous cages. Such funny, homely, wise looking monkeys that peered through the bars of their liberty lost eyed homes with bored or saucy manner. Such huge, hungry elephants that never seemed to get enough peanuts, although an army of little boys and girls kept them constantly supplied. Then such corking ice-cream cones, candy and drinks out of long necked bottles, straw libbled, ambrosial sweets to enchanted kids in an enchanted heaven of pleasure.

"Now," said the big fairy, when the two kids had eaten all they could possibly hold, "we'll get our seats and be ready for the circus folks." Three chairs in the second row—so little five-year-old could see all the fun—were bought from "de guy what stood in a teeny puppit all to himself," said the stray lad, and "de big kid, with the two little kids, sat down to wait for the band.

"Who's boy are you?" asked the giant fairy, whose real name was Dr. Curtis.

"Nobody's, sir."

"What is your name?" The doctor's voice was very kind.

"Just Jim."

Then the band began to play and there was no chance for further questioning.

The big kid found his nearness rather overpowering, but he looked at the happy little kids and he didn't care if the noise did make him temporarily deaf. His inmost seemed none too great for his guests of honor.

Finally, the music ended in a loud explosion of crescendos, and the band scattered to give place to the wonderful ring shows.

But first came the grand parade of all the circus folk in gorgeous array, that kept the two little kids dancing on their toes in sheer delight.

This was followed by the most amazing performances that ever spellbound the eyes of a kid. Such breathless, heart thrilling acts that made life, for the little kid and the middling-sized kid, so full of joy it was akin to pain.

When the program was about half over, Dr. Curtis was notified by an attendant that he was wanted on the phone.

"Jim, while I'm gone, I want you to take care of little Carl. I'm sure I can trust a big boy like you."

"Yes, sir, you kin," very earnestly.

But when the thrilling pony race with their monkey drivers took the sawdust tracks, little Carl became a serious responsibility. Both boys were keyed to the highest pitch of excitement, and the five-year-old, in a wave of hypnotic ecstasy, bolted into the track before the horrified Jim could hinder. Instantly he sprang after the flying little body, while attendants rushed forward from far-away distances, men shouted, women screamed, and the ponies raced on. But Nobody's Jim grasped his small charge and hurled him away from the pounding feet that struck the rescuer instead.

When Dr. Curtis returned, he found his little son crying in the arms of a motherly woman, and the unconscious Jim gently supported by an attendant.

"He saved the kid's life all right," declared the circus man.

"And his life, too, shall be saved." The doctor's jolly looking face was sternly determined.

When Jim woke up with a bandaged head, in the hospital, his dazed brain was yet full of circus glory and present surroundings were slowly cognizable.

"You'll soon be all right again," smiled Dr. Curtis.

"The kid. Was he hurt?"

"Not a scratch. I've a long score to pay, old chap." The big fairy's voice sounded so queer. "Just like he was crying," thought Jim, "only big folks don't cry."

And this is how it ended. When released from the hospital, Nobody's boy became Somebody's son, with the perfectly correct name of James Winthrop Curtis, and own bundle to little Carl.

## Triple Tragedy in Huntington Mysterious

Huntington, W. Va.—The murder of Paul Ralph Miller and his wife, Mrs. Nina Idella Miller, and the fatal wounding of William E. Smith, in a little grocery store conducted by Smith at 2245 First avenue, last Thursday afternoon plunged this city into what appears to be the deepest murder mystery in its history.

At first it was thought Miller had killed his wife and a fancied lover, and then himself, but later it was discovered that Miller's body bore three wounds that he could not have inflicted upon himself, and that theory was abandoned.

The only clue to the matter seemed to be the identity of a fourth person, a man, who fled hatless from the store in which the shooting occurred at the end of the fusillade of bullets.

Mrs. Smith, wife of the owner of the store, was the first person to arrive on the scene. When she reached the store, she found three men, ten feet square, there lay Miller and his wife dead, while her husband was unconscious from a gaping wound in the head.

Mrs. Smith fainted at the gruesome sight, and had to be carried away by neighbors when they arrived. She has been unable to give any intelligible information concerning the tragedy.

Early investigation tended to show that Miller had killed his wife in a fit of jealous rage because she preferred to live apart from him and make her living by clerking in Smith's store. A fellow workman testified that Miller had a .45 calibre automatic pistol such as the one found in the room. But later developments showed that there were seven shots fired, and that one of Miller's wounds was received from the rear, striking him in the back part of the arm.

Those investigating the matter believe there was a fourth man in the room, and that he did at least part of the shooting.

Smith was rushed to a hospital where he died in an hour, without regaining consciousness.

## Harrison Estep Dies At Oakview

One of Boyd county's aged citizens Harrison Estep, died at his home at Oakview Thursday morning after an illness of eight months. Mr. Estep was 71 years of age. He was a native of Virginia, but had lived practically all his life in Kentucky and had been a resident of Ashland for the past twelve years. So long as his health permitted he was employed as night clerk for the United Fuel Gas Co.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mary Estep, eight daughters and four sons. Mr. Estep was a member of the First Christian Church, and the funeral service was held in that church, interment following in the Ashland cemetery. Having been also a member of the encampment of Ashland Lodge I. O. O. F., No. 257, the lodge observed his burial ritual. Rev. Dr. Scott, pastor of the First Christian Church, had charge of the obsequies.

The death of Mr. Estep is mourned by a very large kinship as well as by a host of friends. He was regarded by all who knew him as a man of high ideals, one whose life was an open book, his three score years and ten worthy of emulation by his descendants. He had been twice married. His first wife, who was formerly Mary Jane Galiste, having passed away years ago, he was united in marriage the second time to Mrs. Mary Wilson, of Louisville, who survives him. He was the father of twelve children, eleven of whom are living. J. R. Estep, of Catlettsburg; George W. Estep, of Hannasville, Ind.; Tom Estep of Ashland; Mrs. Tom Cartmel, Mrs. Frank Kirk, Mrs. Theo Kirk, Mrs. J. H. McNelly, and Mrs. W. W. Thomas of this city; Mrs. J. J. Cornwell, of New Brighton, Pa.; Mrs. J. E. Boyd and Miss Sophia Estep, of East Liverpool, Ohio. One son, Shadrack Estep, died eight years ago. Seven step-children to whom Mr. Estep was deeply attached are among the survivors. Forty grandchildren, and six great grandchildren.—Ashland Independent.

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## TELL WHAT'S IN THE SACK.

An exchange tells the story of a boy who was sent to market with a sack of rabbits, lingering around town all day without selling them. When asked by his mother why he had not sold his rabbits he said no one had asked him what was in the sack. How many of our merchants are like this little boy? They have plenty of goods for sale but fail to tell the people what is in the sack. If you expect to sell goods in this day and age, you must open your sack and keep shouting the merits of your stock in trade.

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